

# **SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES**

**February 14, 2011**

**PRESENT:** Ted Poirier, Scott Littlefield, Mike Polakewich, Angela Cushman, Jim Roberts, Michelle Boisjoly

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John Gay, Lisa Morse, Dan Gay, Polly Plourde, Woody Brown

Selectmen Ted Poirier declared the meeting open at 18:00.  
Agenda approved by Selectmen.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**OLD BUSINEES:**

1. Fire Department Budget. On February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm the Lyman & Dayton Selectmen and Budget Committees will meet at Dayton to discuss the budget. A request has been submitted to the Fire Department for a report detailing expenses for the previous year.
1. PACE agreement. At a recent special town meeting the PACE ordinance was passed and approval was obtained from the residents to allow the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with Efficiency Maine. A copy of the agreement was given to the Selectmen for review. Mike Polakewich raised some concerns about signing the agreement based on an article he saw in the newspaper. Jim Roberts to conduct some research. No update at this time.
2. Snowplowing complaints. The Selectmen communicated that they spoke with several residents regarding recent snowplowing complaints. No further action needed at this time.
3. Budget Committee. Budget Committee members were present to discuss the role of the committee. After some discussion the committee agreed to be part of the waste management bid in addition to the fire department budget and the community service requests.
4. RSU Allocation. Mike Polakewich communicated that he had a conversation with Mike LaFortune, RSU23 Superintendent, regarding the current cost allocation and future allocations. Mike LaFortune will attend a Selectmen's meeting in the near future along with the Dick Spencer, RSU23 Attorney.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Tax Assessor. Michelle Boisjoly communicated that she has received the appraisal of the Skeleton Dam that was requested by Flordia Power & Light. The current total valuation for Skeleton Dam is \$25,852,000 and the proposed valuation by the appraiser is \$21,000,000. Michelle communicated that she will be using 84% ratio for next year. The taxes collected this past year were \$414,924. With the new proposed valuation and using the current mil rate the taxes could significantly be reduced to \$283,122. Michelle has contacted Mike Rogers at the state level to obtain more information and help in figuring out the appraisal. The possibilities are that the town could commission our own appraisal and maybe split with Buxton. The cost of an appraisal would be approximately \$5,000 - \$7,000. Michelle will be attending a training class next week and hopes to obtain information to help with figuring out next steps. If there was a valuation change of more than 2%, then the town could apply for an emergency state valuation change that would impact the education formula in our favor.
2. Fire Commission request. The Fire Commission has requested the following from the Dayton & Lyman Selectmen to assist in the transition of financial activities:  
1) Determine which Town of Lyman employee will serve as the Treasurer for the Joint Fire-Rescue Department, 2) Determine which accounting software package will be used and 3) Determine which accounting firm will be used to audit the Fire Department financial records. The Selectmen will follow up with the Lyman Selectmen on addressing these requests.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

John Gay asked about the possibility of the annual town report to contain more detailed information on expenses for the previous year. The Selectmen thought it might be good to provide information on big expenses such as road repairs.

**CORRESPONDENCE:****SIGNED:**

1. 03/03/11 A/P Warrant
2. 03/03/11 P/Y Warrant
3. Training request
4. 02/14/11 Selectmen minutes

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS:**

5. Dayton Historical Society – request attendance at a future Selectmen’s meeting  
Maple Drive paving  
Time Warner contract renewal

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Scott Littlefield made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 19:03.

\*Minutes may not be verbatim they may have been paraphrased for clarity.

\_\_\_\_\_ Ted Poirier, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_ Mike Polakewich

\_\_\_\_\_ Scott Littlefield

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